

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
April 9, 2006
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle
9:15 a.m. Smudging
9:30 a.m.

Executive Session: None

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:31 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Executive Office Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, William Denemy-Vice Chairman, Rebecca Fisher-Executive Assistant

Legal Staff Present: James Bransky, General Counsel

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office Manager, Michael Smith, Administrative Assistant, Valerie Tweedie-Chief Financial Officer

Commission, Boards and Committees: none

Guests: Matt Wesaw, Andrew Stich, Denise Petoskey, Catherine Laba, Lilly Anderson

Opening Ceremony: Frank Ettawageshik

Outgoing Secretary Dexter McNamara transfers the Tribal Council Eagle Feather to incoming Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt the agenda for April 09, 2006, as presented and amended.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve the minutes of March 19, 2006, as presented.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Hearing from guest Matt Wesaw regarding United Tribes of Michigan Update

10:09 a.m. Recess called

10:20 a.m. Meeting resumes

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to acknowledge the presentation by Matt Wesaw of the Pokagon Band of Pottawatomi Indians about the United Tribes of Michigan.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Legal Department's verbal and written report as presented by Jim Bransky, General Counsel.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-01 Request for Trust Acquisition of Parcel in Emmet County, Cross Village, MI.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to table until the next Tribal Council Meeting April 23, 2006, Resolution Appropriating \$21,901.07 to a New Budget for TGW Foster Care Children and Moving \$24,111.92 from Tribal Court Budget (reference Resolution # 031906-01) to the New Budget for Foster Care Children totaling \$46,012.99 until we can meet with Tribal Court Administrator.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-02 Women Working for the Tribe Shall Be Treated Equally and Shall Not Be Required to Dress in a More Revealing Manner than a Man in The Same Job.

(Motion on hold in consideration of Public Comment)

11:45 a.m. Public Comment open: No comments

11:46 a.m. Public Comment closed

(Discussion of previous motion continues regarding proposed resolution)

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

12:02 p.m. Break for Lunch

1:35 p.m. Meeting resumed

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-03 Appropriation of Funds for the 2007 Operating Budgets and Restatement of Funding Allocation for the 2007 Fiscal Year.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-04 Prohibiting Policies that discriminate against Tribal Members with long hair.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-05 approval of Four Directions Video Content.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-06 Prohibiting Employment Policies that Discriminate against Tribal Citizens.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

2:37 p.m. Recess called.

2:49 p.m. Meeting resumed

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to place the Michele Chingwa Education Assistance Act on the Legislative Agenda.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 2 Absent (Councilor Roberts, Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

4:00 p.m. Public Comment Opened: Andrew Stich, Denise Petoskey

4:04 p.m. Public Comment Closed

4:38 p.m. Recess called.

4:46 P.M. Meeting resumed.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Executives verbal and written report.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Secretary Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-07 for Funding Notification by Mail and Luncheon for 2006 Annual Tribal Membership Meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution # 040906-08 for Funding Travel to NCAI Mid-Year and 63rd Annual Convention for NCAI Youth Delegates and Chaperones.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried

Chairman Ettawageshik introduces guest Jim Mclurken and his associate Russ Overton, on Tribal History Projects.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve Enrollment List A – Eligible for Membership dated March 28, 2006, approving a total of 25 individuals.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Enrollment List B – Declination (Ineligible) dated March 28, 2006, declining 3 individuals.

Vote: 6 Yes, 2 No (Councilor McNamara, Councilor Harrington, Jr.), 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr. to approve the Michelle Chingwa Policy number EXEC-ED 150-00.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Legislative Leaders Report, written and verbal for April 09, 2006.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Treasurers verbal report of April 09, 2006, as given by Treasurer Oldman.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley for Tribal Council attendance at a Special Work Session for Committees, Board's, and Commissions Statute, and Membership Statute on April 21, 2006, the Children's Code, Juvenile Code, and Domestic Violence Statute on May 19, 2006, and the May 13, 2006, Membership Meeting.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr. to reject receipt of the nomination for Chief Judge from the Executive.

Vote: 4 Yes, 4 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion fails

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to acknowledge the receipt of nomination of Chief Judge from the Executive.

Vote: 4 Yes, 4 No, Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion fails

6:41 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to adjourn.

Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried

These minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary

Date